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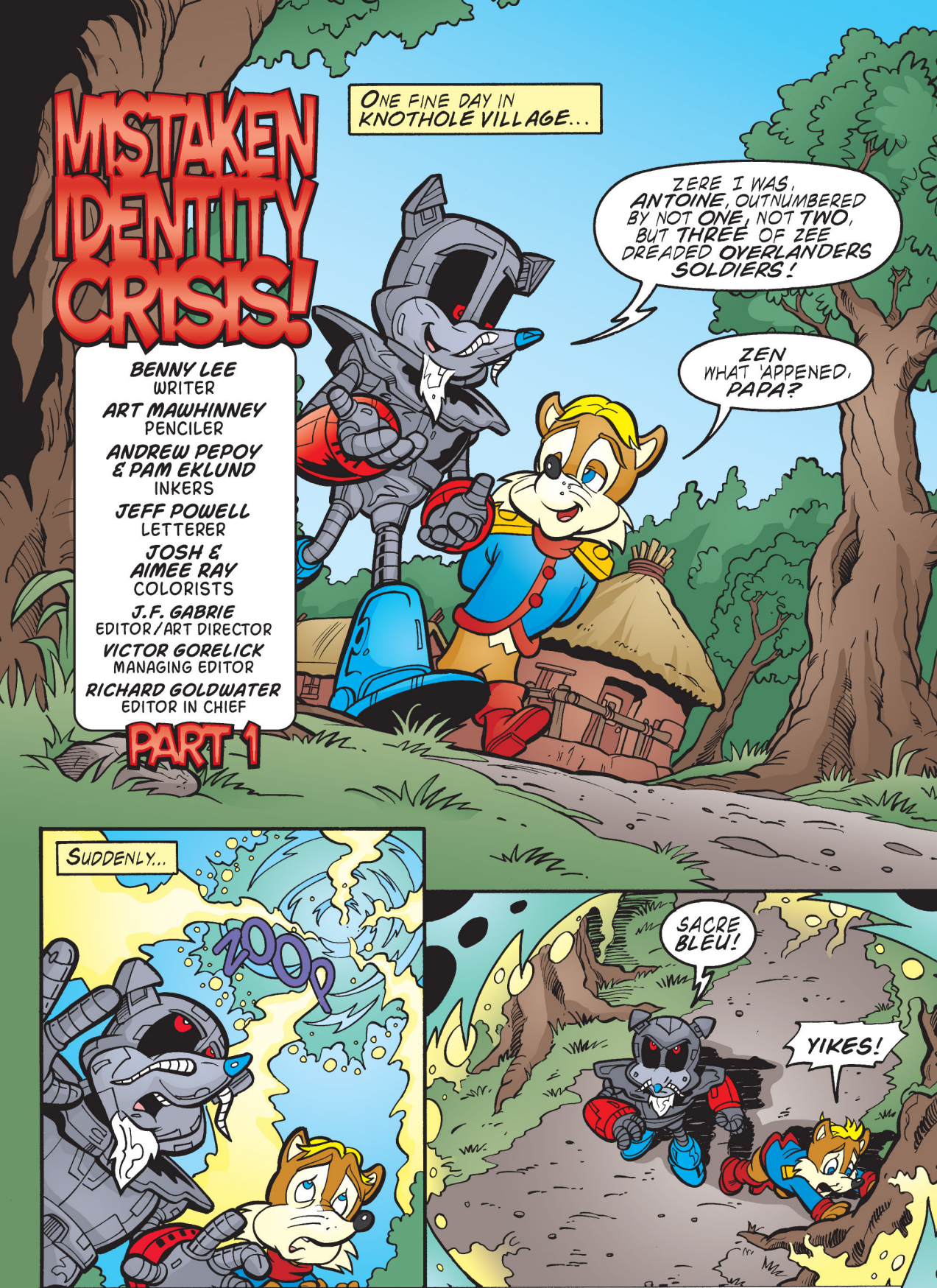

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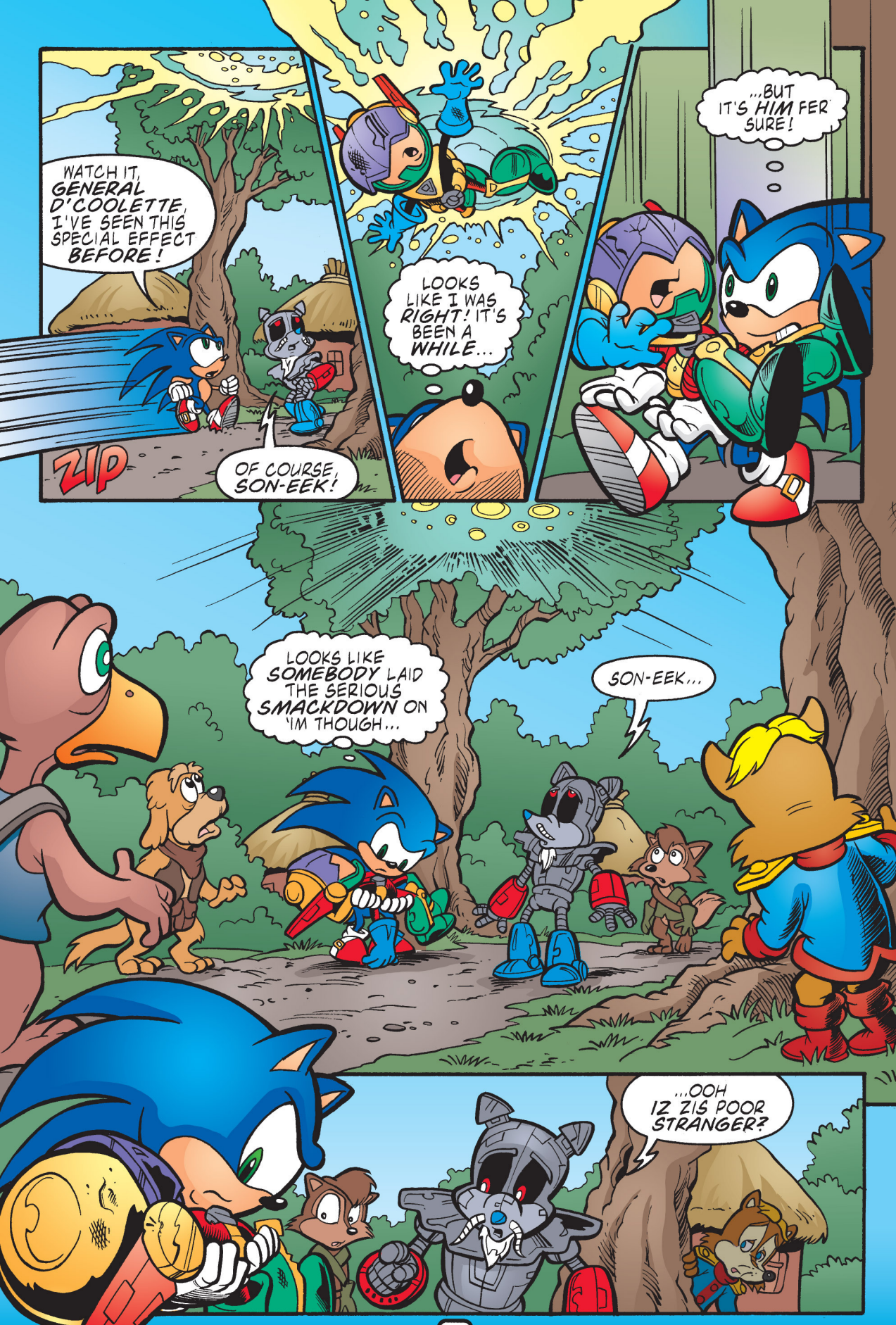
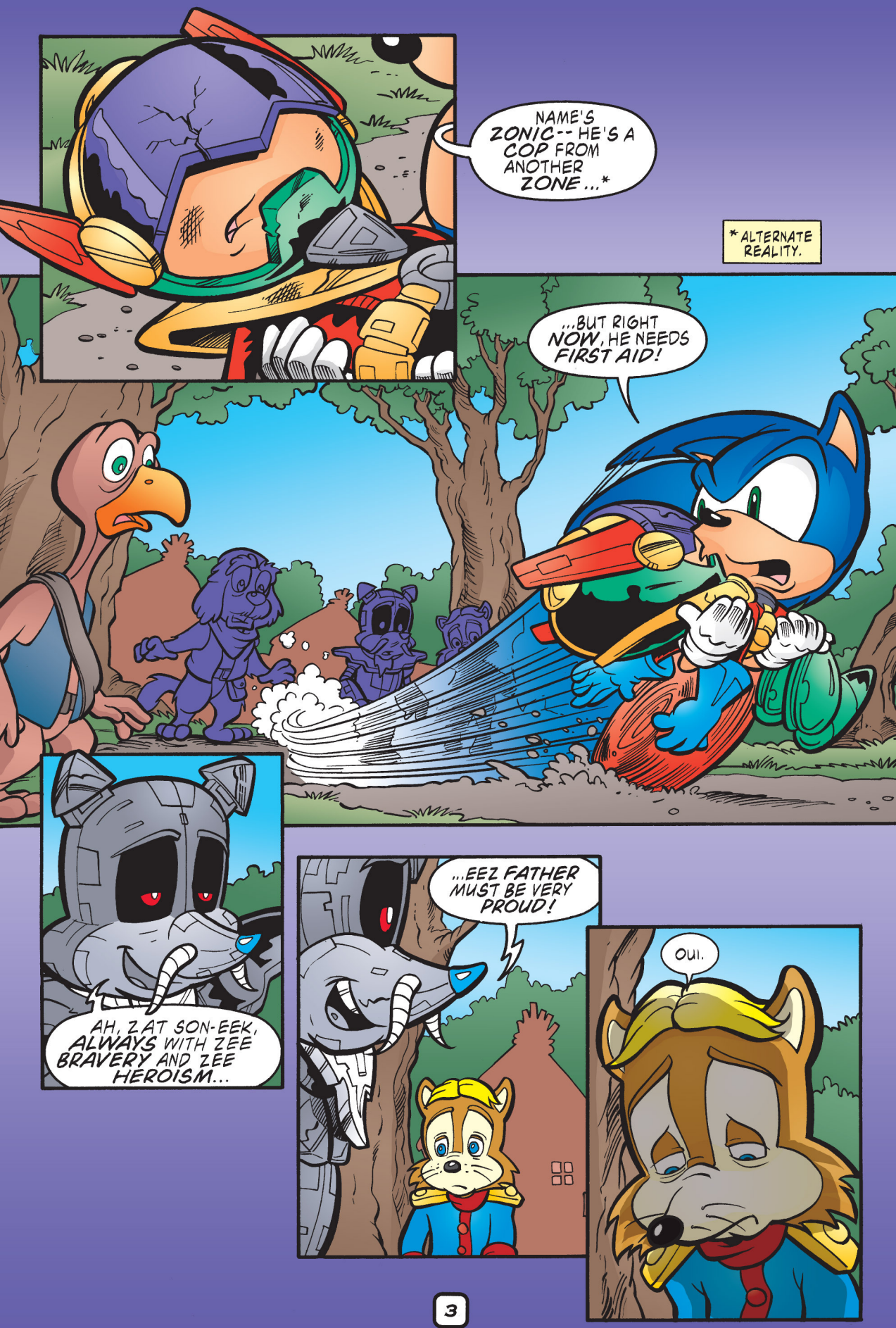
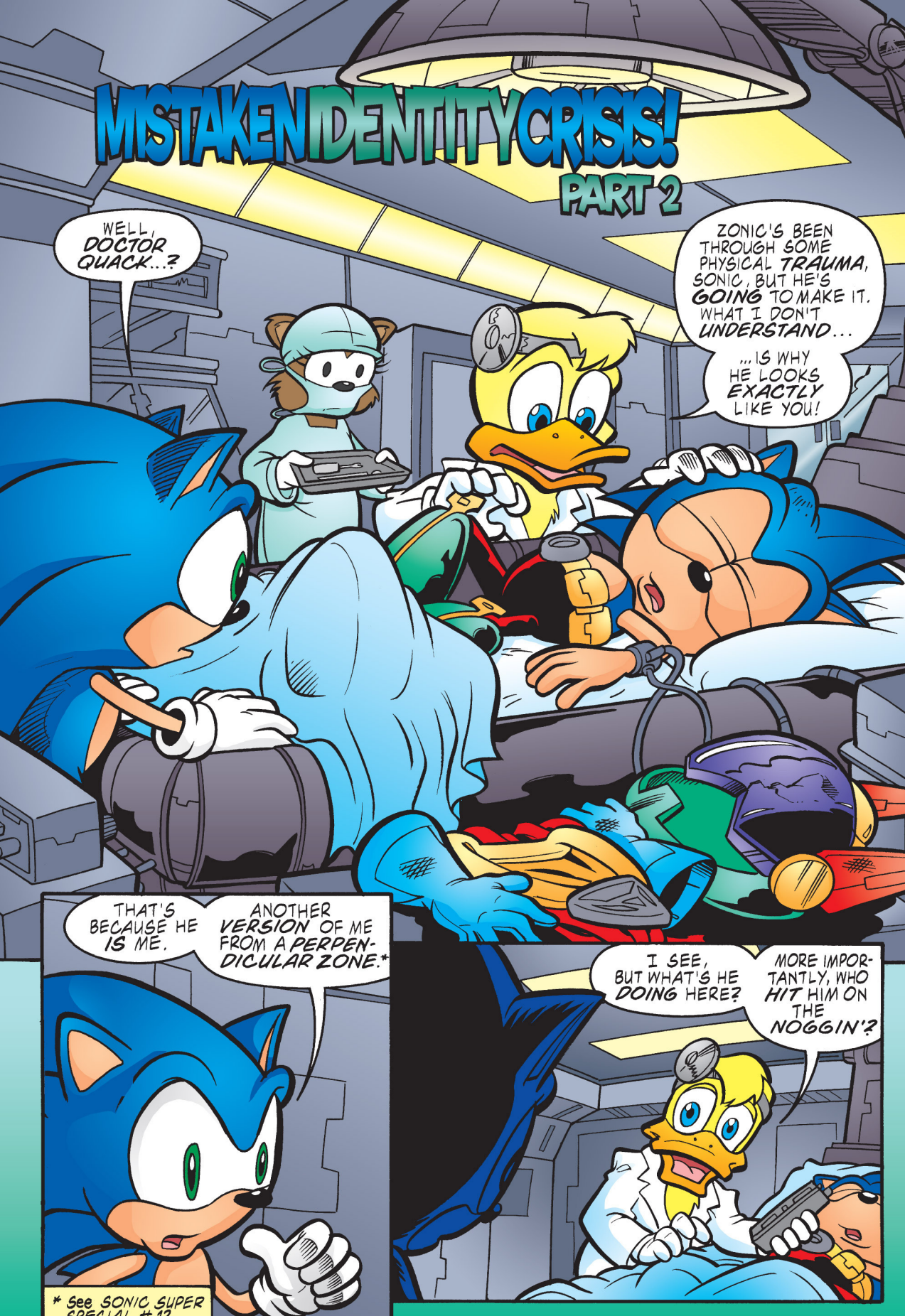
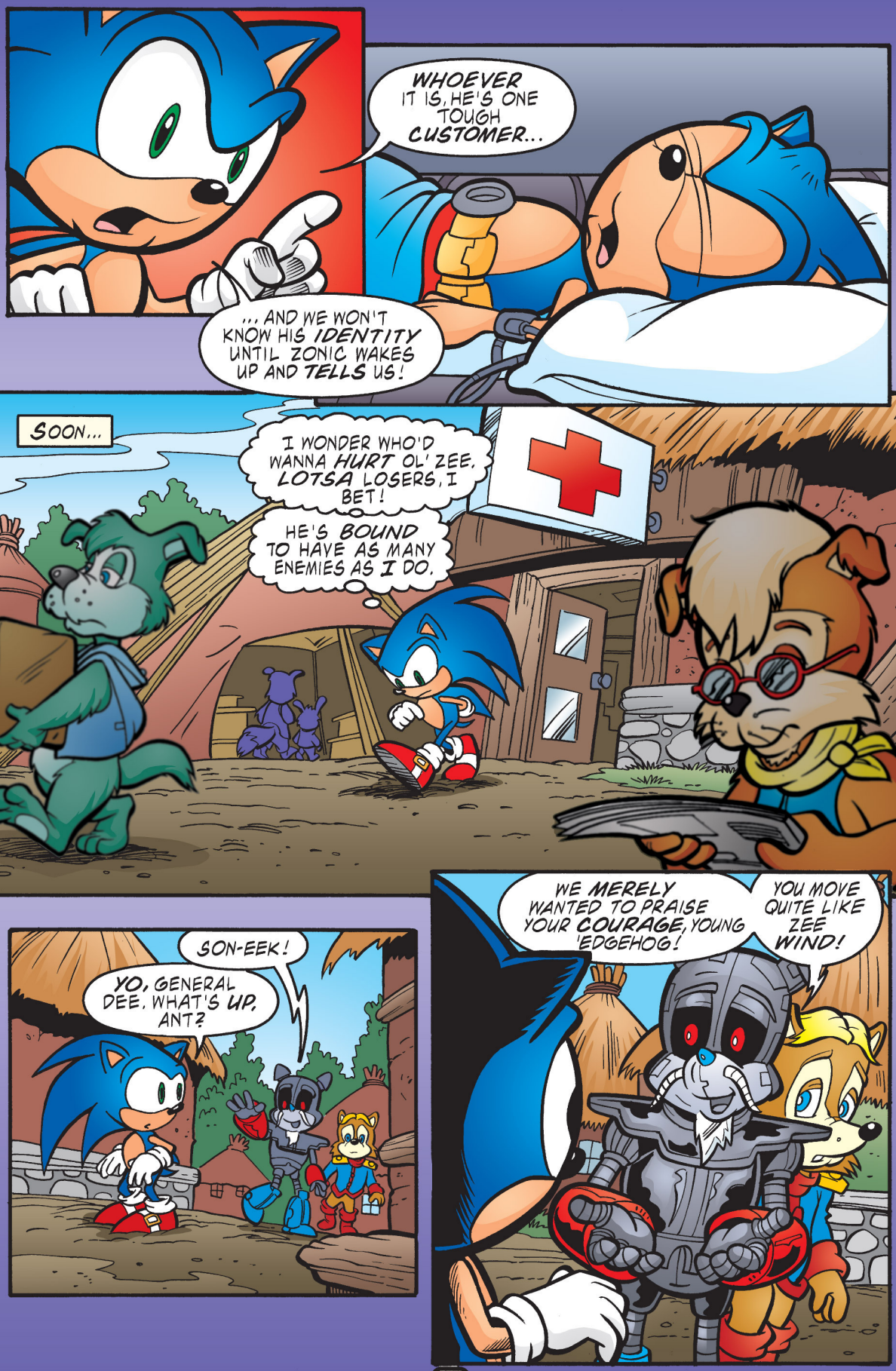
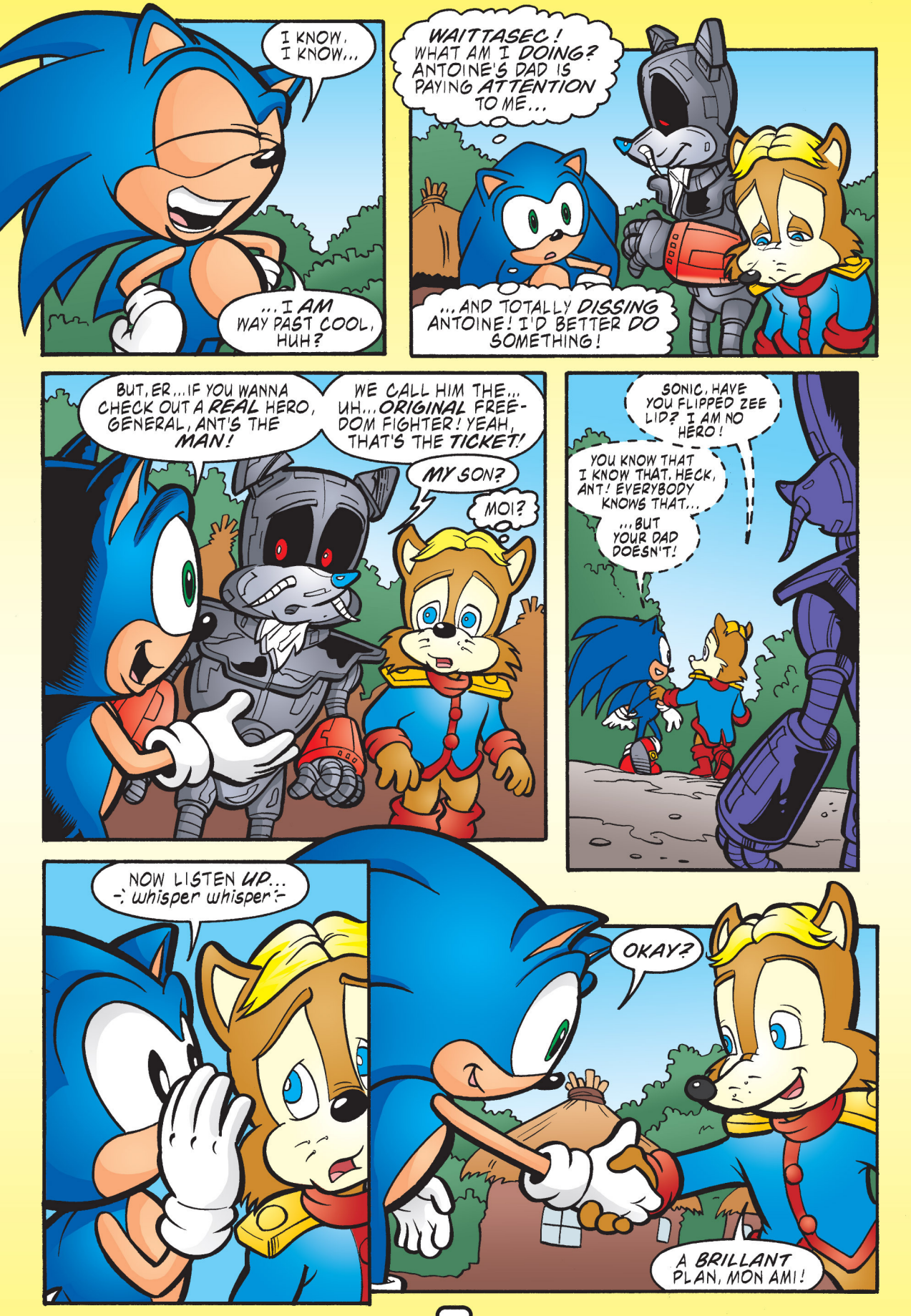

WATCH IT, GENERAL D'COOLETTE, I'VE SEEN THIS SPECIAL EFFECT BEFORE!
ZIP
OF COURSE, SON-EEK!
LOOKS LIKE I WAS RIGHT! IT'S BEEN A WHILE...
...BUT IT'S HIM FER SURE!
LOOKS LIKE SOMEBODY LAID THE SERIOUS SMACKDOWN ON 'IM THOUGH...
SON-EEK...
...OOH IZ ZIS POOR STRANGER?

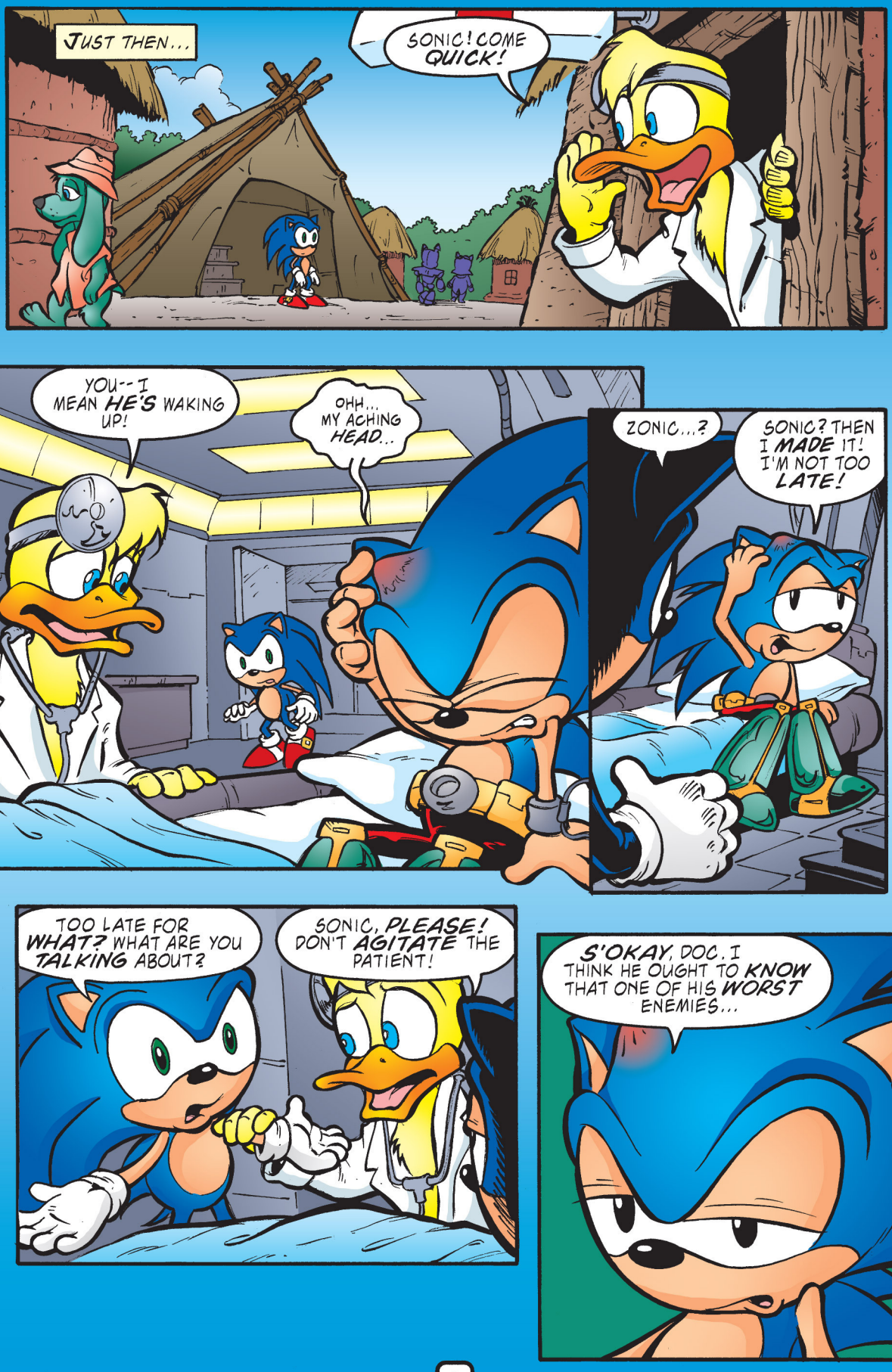

NAME'S ZONIC-- HE'S A COP FROM ANOTHER ZONE...*
*ALTERNATE REALITY.
...BUT RIGHT NOW, HE NEEDS FIRST AID!
AH, ZAT SON-EEK, ALWAYS WITH ZEE BRAVERY AND ZEE HEROISM...
...EEZ FATHER MUST BE VERY PROUD!
Oui.

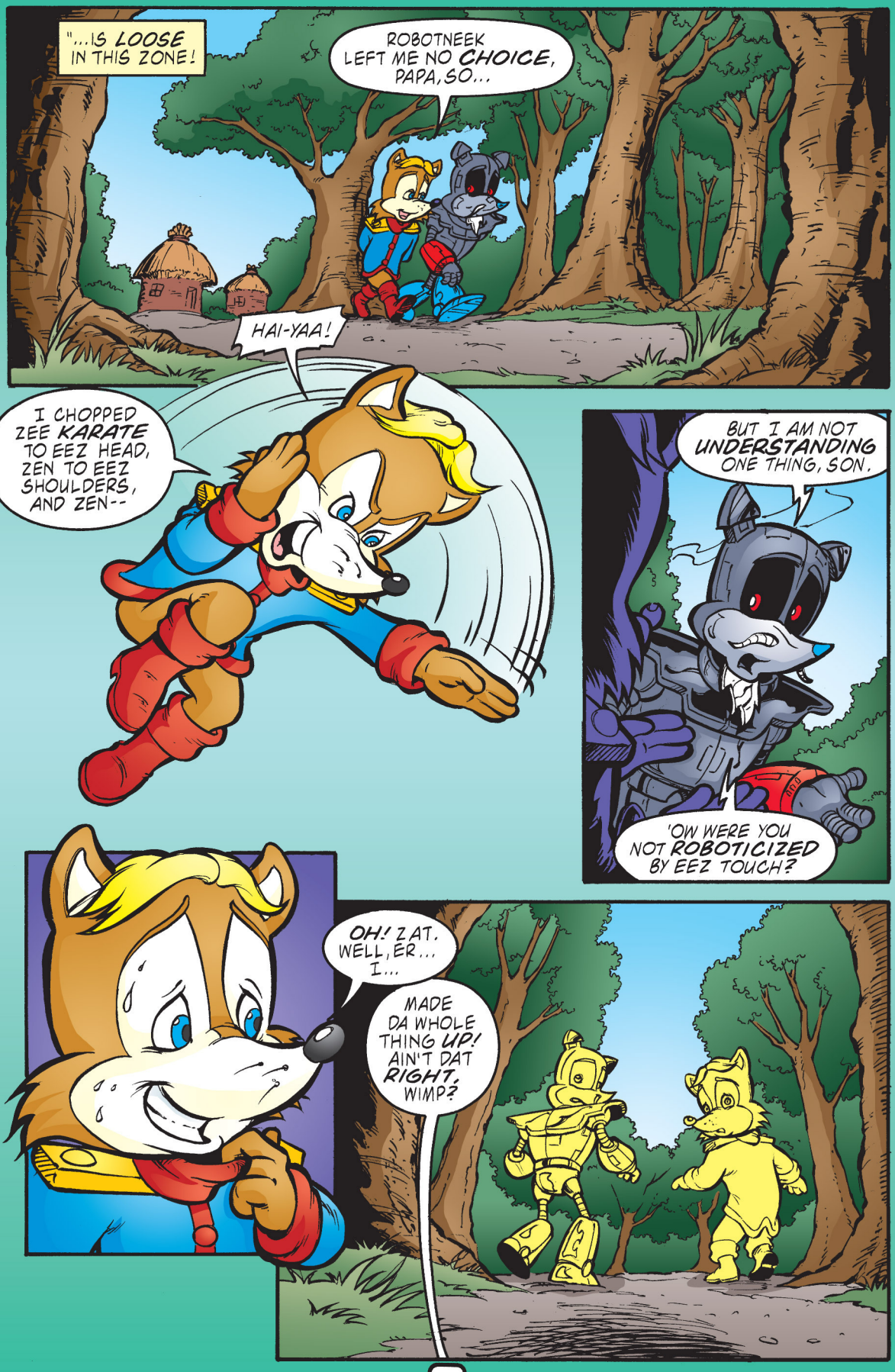

MISTAKEN IDENTITY CRISIS!
PART 2
WELL, DOCTOR QUACK...?
ZONIC'S BEEN THROUGH SOME PHYSICAL TRAUMA, SONIC, BUT HE'S GOING TO MAKE IT. WHAT I DON'T UNDERSTAND...
...IS WHY HE LOOKS EXACTLY LIKE YOU!
I SEE, BUT WHAT'S HE DOING HERE?
MORE IMPORTANTLY, WHO HIT HIM ON THE NOGGIN'?
THAT'S BECAUSE HE IS ME.
ANOTHER VERSION OF ME FROM A PERPENDICULAR ZONE.*
* See SONIC SUPER SPECIAL #12.


WHOEVER IT IS, HE'S ONE TOUGH CUSTOMER...
... AND WE WON'T KNOW HIS IDENTITY UNTIL ZONIC WAKES UP AND TELLS US!
SOON...
I WONDER WHO'D WANNA HURT OL' ZEE. LOTSA LOSERS, I BET!
HE'S BOUND TO HAVE AS MANY ENEMIES AS I DO.
SON-EEK!
YO, GENERAL DEE. WHAT'S UP, ANT?
WE MERELY WANTED TO PRAISE YOUR COURAGE, YOUNG 'EDGEHOG!
YOU MOVE QUITE LIKE ZEE WIND!


I KNOW, I KNOW...
...I AM WAY PAST COOL, HUH?
WAITTASEC! WHAT AM I DOING? ANTOINE'S DAD IS PAYING ATTENTION TO ME...
...AND TOTALLY DISSING ANTOINE! I'D BETTER DO SOMETHING!
BUT, ER...IF YOU WANNA CHECK OUT A REAL HERO, GENERAL, ANT'S THE MAN!
WE CALL HIM THE... UH...ORIGINAL FREEDOM FIGHTER! YEAH, THAT'S THE TICKET!
MY SON?
MOI?
SONIC, HAVE YOU FLIPPED ZEE LID? I AM NO HERO!
YOU KNOW THAT I KNOW THAT, HECK, ANT! EVERYBODY KNOWS THAT...
...BUT YOUR DAD DOESN'T!
NOW LISTEN UP... -: whisper whisper :-
OKAY?
A BRILLANT PLAN, MON AMI!

WHY DON'T YOU KEEP STROLLING WITH YOUR DEAR, OLD DAD...
...AND I'LL BE ALONG IN A FEW!
?
MISTAKEN IDENTITY CRISIS!
PART 3
BUT OF COURSE! SURELY YOU ARE A GENIUS!
I KNOW. BUT IT'S SONIC, NOT "SHIRLEY," OKAY?
I CANNOT WAIT TO SEE WHAT SONIC AZ PLANNED!


JUST THEN...
SONIC! COME QUICK!
YOU--I MEAN HE'S WAKING UP!
OHH... MY ACHING HEAD...
ZONIC...?
SONIC? THEN I MADE IT! I'M NOT TOO LATE!
TOO LATE FOR WHAT? WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?
SONIC, PLEASE! DON'T AGITATE THE PATIENT!
S'OKAY, DOC. I THINK HE OUGHT TO KNOW THAT ONE OF HIS WORST ENEMIES...


"...IS LOOSE IN THIS ZONE!
ROBOTNEEK LEFT ME NO CHOICE, PAPA, SO...
HAI-YAA!
I CHOPPED ZEE KARATE TO EEZ HEAD, ZEN TO EEZ SHOULDERS, AND ZEN--
BUT I AM NOT UNDERSTANDING ONE THING, SON.
'OW WERE YOU NOT ROBOTICIZED BY EEZ TOUCH?
OH! ZAT. WELL, ER... I...
MADE DA WHOLE THING UP! AIN'T DAT RIGHT, WIMP?

NOW WHO WANTS TO GET THEIR BUTT STOMPED FIRST?
AMAZING! SONIC AZ DISGUISED AZ ZEE EVIL SONIC AND EEZ PRETENDING TO DO US HARM!
ZEE PERFOR-MANCE EEZ OSCAR-WORTHY!
YOU BOZOS GOT ANY CASH ON--
KI-YAIII!
WHAM

WELL ZAT TAKES CARE OF ZAT, NON?
LOOKS LIKE THAT ENEMY OF MINE YOU WERE TALKING ABOUT HAS MET HIS MATCH, ZONIC!
NO FAST MOVES, TOUGH GUY!
WORRY NOT, FOR I 'AVE ALREADY DE-FEATED ZEE MENACE OF ZEE EVIL SONIC!
NICE WORK, ANT!
SANK YOU, SONIC!
SONIC?!
HA! HA! HA! HA!
WHAT'S SO FUNNY?
FWUMP
ZEE END!

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SONIC

THE HEDGEHOG

FIRST APPEARANCE: SONIC THE HEDGEHOG #0, February 1993
FULL NAME: * Maurice Hedgehog AKA Sonic
(* Real first name yet to be revealed)
BORN: 162 / 3220
HEIGHT: 70 marks WEIGHT: 7.2 stone
FUR: Blue
EYES: Green
KNOWN FAMILY: Jules Hedgehog (father - roboticized), Bernadette "Bernie" Hedgehog (mother - roboticized), Sir Charles Hedgehog (uncle - roboticized)
KNOWN FRIENDS: Princess Sally, Tails, Rotor, Bunnie Rab-bot, Mina, Amy Rose, Antoine
SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: Light-weight high friction resistant super velocity track shoes

HISTORY: Sonic was born during the early days of the Great War to a loving couple, Jules and Bernadette Hedgehog. He was originally named after his grandfathers, but soon inspired the nickname "Sonic" due to his constant running to get anywhere.

While a young toddler, both of Sonic's parents fell victim to the evil despot Robotnik's roboticizer, a device originally created for medical purposes by Sonic's uncle, the renowned Sir Charles Hedgehog. Upon discovering how his device was used, Sir Charles renounced his scientific work and instead devoted himself to raising his nephew and operating a chili-dog stand.

Sonic soon found himself befriended by Princess Sally, whom he met while accompanying his uncle on one of his many visits with King Acorn during the Great War. At one point, the situation grew so desperate that a number of children -- including Sonic -- were sent off with Princess Sally and her guardians Rosie and Julayla to a sanctuary in Knothole Village.

Shortly after the Great War, Warlord Julian renamed himself Doctor Ivo Robotnik, siezed control of the kingdom and roboticized Sir Charles, thus effectively making Sonic an orphan. Upon learning what happened, Sonic began striking back on his own, eventually finding himself being joined on his many acts of insurrection by many of his friends who also happened to lose their parents to the evil Robotnik's mad schemes.

As the years passed, Sonic firmly established himself as Robotnik's number one nemesis. Having constantly thwarted Robotnik's plans numerous times, Sonic found the tables turned when Robotnik managed to engineer what appeared to be the death of Princess Sally, and succeeded in placing the blame for the crime on Sonic. So devastated was he by the loss of his cherished friend, that when Sonic eventually faced off against Robotnik, it was nothing less than a fight to the death.

Having vanquished Robotnik and discovering the Princess was in stasis during his ordeal, Sonic was soon reunited with Sally, who then began organizing the task of restoring Mobotropolis to its original glory. It was during this time that Sonic was not only reunited with his Uncle Chuck, but also his parents, all three still in roboticized form but now in full possession of their memories and free will.

It didn't take long for Sonic to become thoroughly bored with the clean-up detail and decide to travel around Mobius alongside his best buddy Tails in search of adventure. By the time the pair eventually returned, Mobotropolis had been rebuilt and a number of changes had taken place. Soon after, another, more deadlier, version of Robotnik appeared on the scene and resumed his conquest of the planet.

Since then, Sonic has once again established himself as the premier foe of this most dastardly villain, and an inspiration to all in his constant fight for freedom.

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KNUCKLES
THE ECHIDNA

HISTORY: When Sonic first encountered the enigmatic echidna, not even Knuckles himself was aware of either the long, noble heritage he was born into or the current status of his people, having spent the previous six plus years on his own as the sole defender of the Floating Island and Guardian of the Chaos Emerald. Before long, fate would intervene and begin filling in the blanks.

Knuckles' path in life was established centuries before he was even born, having descended from Edmund, the first Guardian. Sixteen generations later, Edmund's descendent Locke would meet and marry the fair Lara-Le of the House of Arian. After a couple of years of happy, wedded bliss, their son Knuckles was born. Unknown at the time to Lara-Le, Locke had subjected the egg Knuckles was hatched from to an intense dose of Chaos radiation with the intention of enhancing Knuckles's abilities far beyond what his ancestors had achieved.

Before long, Knuckles displayed intelligence and capabilities unusual to find in one so young. When he was but three years of age, it was then that Locke decided that his son's training as a Guardian should begin, much against the wishes of Lara-Le. As time progressed, the disagreements concerning the raising of their child became so pronounced that by the time Knuckles was five, when Locke had decided to separate both himself and his son from echidna society and return to their homeworld on the Floating Island, it effectively ended the marriage between Locke and Lara-Le.

Due to a cataclysm that had occured almost two centuries ago, the echidnas -- along with all the other inhabitants of the Floating Island -- had relocated to the safety of another zone. When Locke and Knuckles returned, the first item of business was the systematic repatriation of the previous inhabitants other than the echidnas. It was during this time that Locke supervised his son's training, preparing him for the day when he would assume the duties and responsibilities of a Guardian.

Locke tutored Knuckles in history, mathematics, geography, the sciences and any other subject necessary to carry out the tasks expected of him. Although for the most part he led a somewhat isolated existence, Knuckles made friends every now and then, sometimes in a most unexpected manner as was the case when he first met Princess Sally, heir to the Kingdom of Acorn.

Shortly after Knuckles' tenth birthday, Locke was of a mind that Knuckles was ready to assume the role of Guardian, and thus made the trek to the Forbidden Zone to join the Brotherhood in Haven, a group composed of several previous Guardians, all related through the same bloodline.

For the next few years, Knuckles carried out his duties as expected, his only friend a cockatoo named Catweazle with whom he associated with on a sporadic basis. By the time he met up with Sonic and Tails for the first time, Knuckles' disposition had turned quite surly and it wasn't until he became

FIRST APPEARANCE: SONIC THE HEDGEHOG #13, August 1994
FULL NAME: Knuckles
FAMILY STATION: Son of Locke of the House of Edmund, current Guardian of the Chaos Emerald
BORN: 251 / 3220
HEIGHT: 72 marks WEIGHT: 7.7 stone
FUR: Red
EYES: Purple
KNOWN FAMILY: Locke (father), Lara-Le (mother), Wynmacher (step-father), Sabre (grandfather), Jenna-Lu (grandmother). Athair (great-grandfather - current status unknown), Crystal-La (great-grandmother - roboticized)
KNOWN FRIENDS: Julie-Su, Espio, Mighty, Vector, Charmy, Archimedes, Catweazle, Sonic, Tails, Princess Sally
SPECIAL ABILITIES: able to channel the power of Chaos Emeralds via the use of superior willpower, the limitations of this power are as yet unknown due to the mutation of Knuckles' physical body into its current state as a living Chaos Emerald

friends with Vector the Crocodile, Espio the Chameleon, Mighty the Armadillo and Charmy Bee that his mood began to change.

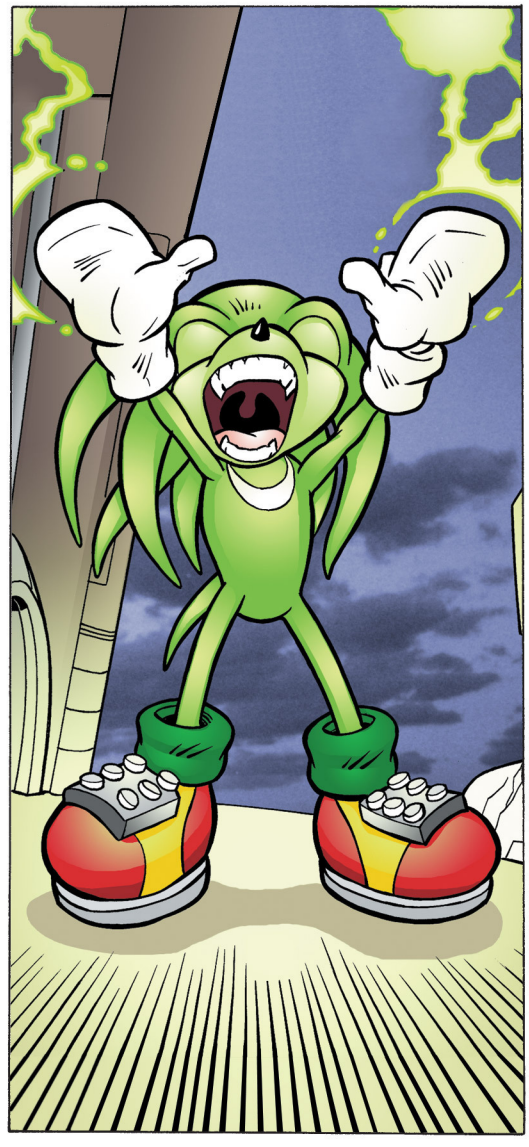
It was also around this time that the fire-ant Archimedes stepped in to mentor Knuckles as he did in the same manner with Locke in his younger days. Shortly after their initial meeting, they would be confronted by Enerjak, who turned out to be the brother of Knuckles' deceased ancestor, Edmund. Enerjak possessed abilities far beyond any echidna, due to his exposure of Chaos energy via a device he himself created with the intention of restoring the Floating Island back to its original position on the surface of Mobius. Using guile and teamwork, Knuckles and Archimedes were able to overcome the threat of Enerjak, as well as the threat from those that soon followed, such as the Dark Legion.

Since then, the city of Echidnaopolis and all who dwelled within its magnificent structures have been restored to the Floating Island, Knuckles has been reunited with his family and learned of his history, and life in general has gone on.

Currently, the process that began with Locke continues as Knuckles has evolved into essentially a living Chaos Emerald, possessing power far beyond any creature in existence. Even though his ancestors were all able to channel the power of the Chaos Emerald to some extent, which also extended their lifespans far beyond that of the average echidna, none wielded the power more than a fraction of what Knuckles is capable of.

As he struggles to cope with his awesome abilities, Knuckles also tries to maintain some semblance of normality through his relationships with his girlfriend Julie-Su, his family and his friends. His mother Lara-Le has remarried, and with her new husband is currently expecting her second child. His father is still single and a key member of the Brotherhood.

As for the future of Floating Island and the echidnas in general, it is safe to say that Knuckles will continue to evolve into a position of being a key player with major implications far beyond the limited scope of his original role.



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TAILS

FIRST APPEARANCE: SONIC THE HEDGEHOG #0, February 1993
FULL NAME: Miles Prower AKA Tails
BORN: 297 / 3225
CURRENT HEIGHT: 56 marks WEIGHT: 6.3 stone
FUR: Orange
EYES: Light blue
DISTINGUISHING PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTIC: Has two tails
KNOWN FAMILY: Amadeus (father - roboticized), Rosemary (fate unknown - presumed roboticized), Merlin (uncle)
KNOWN FRIENDS: Sonic, Princess Sally, Knuckles, Amy Rose, Dulcy

HISTORY: As the noted Mobian author Webster Dickens once wrote: "It was the best of times, it was the not so best of times". And so it was the day Miles Prower was born into the world on a bright sunny day, just as his father Amadeus was roboticized after discovering Warlord Julian's plans to seize control of the Kingdom of Acorn. From that point forward, it would be another ten years before young Miles would know a world at peace.

During his formative years, young Miles developed a very close relationship with a hedgehog five years older than he known to all as Sonic. So attached was Miles to Sonic that rarely could you find one without the other, especially after Miles' mother Rosemary mysteriously disappeared one day. From that day forward they were inseparable.

Serveral years later, the status quo changed when Sonic began accompanying Princess Sally, Rotor and Antoine on missions behind enemy lines, hoping to do their part in the fight against Robotnik for what he did to their parents. Young Miles, by this time more commonly referred to as "Tails" because of his unique twin tails, very much resented not being allowed to come along on account of his junior status.

In an effort to placate the young cub fox, Princess Sally had Rotor build him a submersible vessel known as the Sea Fox. Eager to try it out, Tails discovered its one shortcoming: it couldn't work without oil. Since Princess Sally hadn't authorized any oil to be allocated for use in the Sea Fox, Tails was forced to rely on his own devices, After locating enough of the precious fuel to power the submarine, Tails would then take off in search of adventure.

One of the most heart-wrenching ordeals Tails experienced was his encounter with the beautiful and intelligent Fiona Fox, whom he fell in love with for the first time. So crushed was he upon discovering Fiona was a robotic creation of Robotnik's that it would be a long time before he would allow himself to be smitten by a girl again.

It was also during another of these adventures that Tails met up with the echidna Athair, the Ancient Walkers and the Downunda Freedom Fighters, all of whom would have some effect on his life in the years to come having learned that he was now designated "The Chosen One", Mobius' greatest savior in its hour of need.

When Mammoth Mogul acquired the power of the Chaos Emerald, the situation appeared to be very grim until the Turbo-power manifested itself within Tails, the first physical sign that he was different from all others. Unknown to everyone at the time, however, it was during this battle that the Miles "Tails" Prower everyone knew and loved was mysteriously replaced with an exact doppelganger, who believed that he was the real true Tails.

From that point on, everyone had assumed all was normal with Tails. It took a battle royale with a now Chaos-power enhanced Knuckles for Athair and Tails' uncle Merlin to learn the truth. After discovering the current Tails was not the original Tails, the pair conspired to maintain the secret until they could ascertain the whereabouts of their Tails. Since then, no one else has yet learned the secret, and its only a matter of time before the fate of Miles "Tails" Prower becomes known.

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Amy Rose

HISTORY: When Sonic first encountered Amy, she was being held hostage by Robotnik as a means to bait him into a trap. It was also revealed at the time that she was his biggest fan, and the one responsible for sending him a large chunk of fan mail. After Sonic defeated Mecha-Sonic and freed Amy (as well as Tails) from the evil Robotnik's clutches, her devotion to him from that point on was beyond question. Even during the blue hedgehog's darkest moments, Amy would remain his staunchest supporter through thick and thin.

Originally, she was born to a family of noble heritage in the Kingdom of Snottingham. So taken with the plight of the poor and the sick, Amy's parents renounced their vast wealth, using it instead to increase the welfare of those less fortunate. When they fell victim to Robotnik's agent General D'Coolette, it was her father's brother -- known to all as Rob O' The Hedge -- who took her in and cared for her during this sad time. As conditions became more dangerous, Rob decided to send her away to a safer haven.

Due to his family's connections to royalty throughout the various kingdoms of Mobius, it was decided that the Kingdom of Acorn would be Amy's new home. Thus, it was with a heavy heart that he sent her off on a treacherous journey with only Friar Buck to protect her during the weeks it took to cross the ocean and travel the land.

Once settled in among the citizens of Knothole Village, it didn't take Amy long to make her presence felt, establishing friendships with Tails and Dulcy in short order. It also didn't take long to become frustrated with being shut out of a lot of adventures due to her young age, a situation her friend Tails could well empathize with.

When the Freedom Fighters decided to embark on a journey to explore the Hidden City of the Ancients, they once more refused to involve Amy on account of her age. After pointing out the fact Tails was the same age as her and he was going, they responded by acknowledging his experience on previous adventures as the pivotal factor. Upset by this double-standard, Amy decided to take matters into her own hands and utilized a power ring to speed up the aging process whereupon she was now physically if not mentally a sixteen-year-old teenager.

Reluctantly, the Freedom Fighters allowed her to accompany them on that and other adventures since. As for her intentions of someday marrying Sonic, she has kept those hidden from the others after watching how Mina was treated when she openly flirted with him, believing that some day she'll finally get her chance to win the heart of the greatest hero of them all.

FIRST APPEARANCE: SONIC THE HEDGEHOG #25, August 1995
FULL NAME: Amy Rose Hedgehog
BORN: 186 / 3226
CURRENT HEIGHT: 64 marks 5.9 stone
FUR: Pink
EYES: Blue
KNOWN FAMILY: Rob O' The Hedge (cousin)
KNOWN FRIENDS: Sonic, Princess Sally, Tails, Dulcy, Bunnie Rab-bot

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BROTHERHOOD OF THE GUARDIANS

HISTORY: The story about the Brotherhood of the Guardians actually begins several generations prior to its formation, at a time when the city of Echidnaopolis faced imminent destruction from a falling meteor. Aware of the danger, the scientist Kayla-la suggested harnessing the vast power of Chaos emeralds in order to lift the city and surrounding landscape heavenward in order to escape their dire fate. Generations later, her descendents - the brothers Edmund and Dimitri - would recommend to reverse the process and return the Floating Island back to its original site on the Mobian surface.

When the council elders governing the city deemed the brothers' plan as way too radical, Dimitri took matters into his own hands and began to syphon the energy from the emeralds, transferring the energy into his own being. Now drunk with power, Dimitri began to conceive how he would reshape the world to his own vision. Alarmed at the behavior of his brother, Edmund fought back aided by the fire-ants for reasons of their own self preservation.

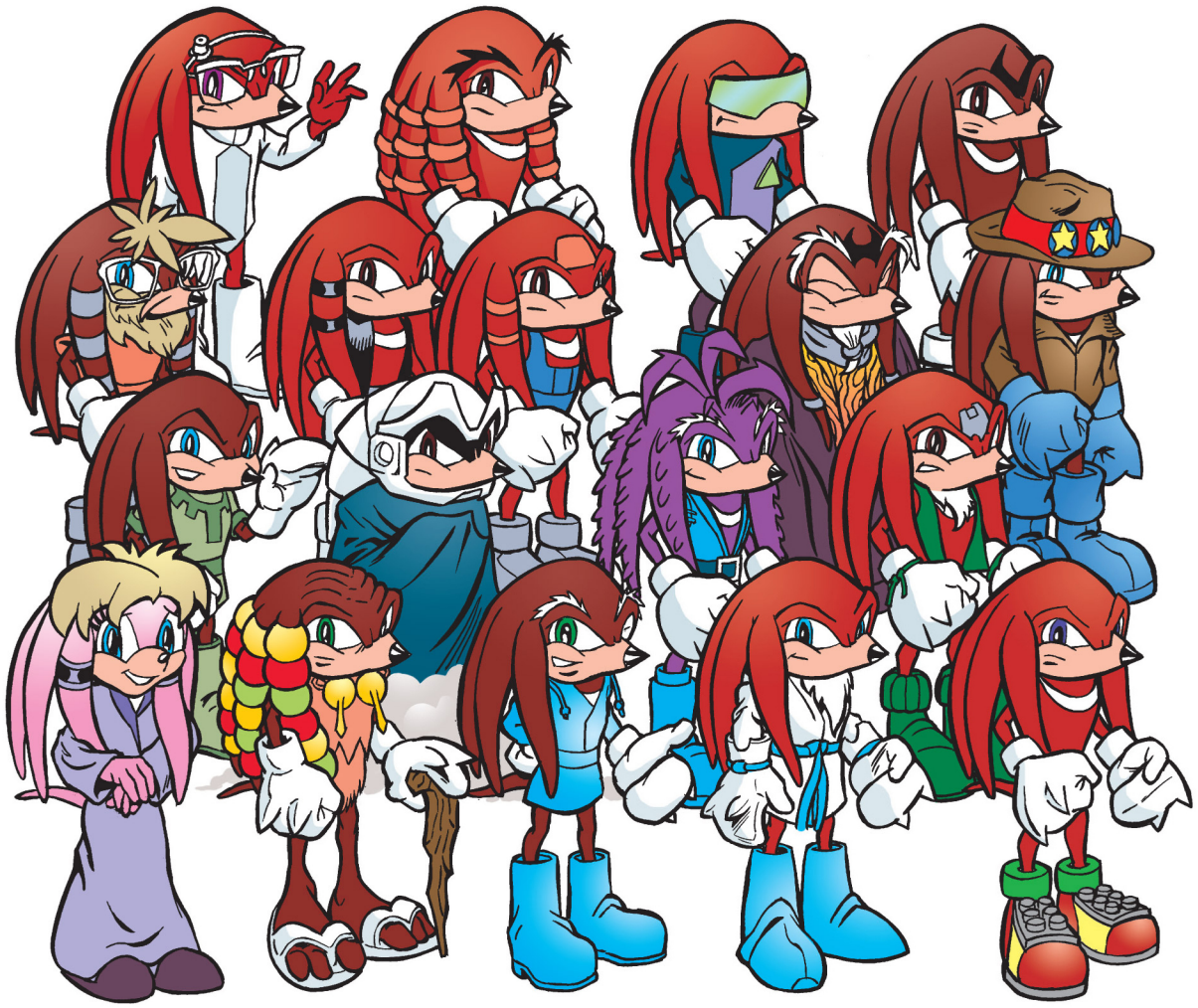
After Dimitri was defeated and left buried under several tons of rock, it was discovered only one Chaos emerald remained. Because that sole source of energy was all that stood between the Floating Island crashing to pieces on the planetary surface below and remaining airborne, it was decided a protector of sorts was needed to safeguard the Emerald for all time. Without hesitation, Edmund accepted the responsibilty, mindful of the role his family had played in Echidna history to date, and thus became the first Guardian.

When his son and the city faced the growing threat of the Dark Legion, Edmund once again rose to action. His relative inexperience, however, would prove to be his downfall, leaving him susceptible to a deadly shot fired by an unseen assassin. Devastated, Edmund's son Steppenwolf was given shelter and training by the fire-ant Christopheles. Once he was pronounced ready, Steppenwolf followed in his father's shoes.

With the passage of time, Steppenwolf passed the mantle of Guardian to his son Moonwatcher, who in turn would eventually do the same with his son Harlan. It wasn't until Harlan's son Rembrandt christened their group "The Brotherhood" that an organizational structure began to take shape. What had once been a solo mission was now routinely a group effort.

All that would change dramatically when Rembrandt's son Aaron met his tragic end while defeating the Dark Legion's latest nefarious scheme. As the Guardians grieved over their loss, Rembrandt was approached by Aaron's twin brother Jordan, who requested that he be allowed to take his place.

After much discussion, it was decided that Jordan's sole duty would be Guardian of the Chaos emerald, prolonging the period of training before elevating him to co-equal status with the rest of the Brotherhood. Due to the side-effect of an expanded lifespan from frequent exposure to the Chaos emerald, the Brotherhood believed the extra years spent in preparation for their responsibilities could prevent further casualties among their own kind.



Jordan would remain a Guardian until he had prepared his son Matthias to take his place. This precedent would be followed by every generation from that point on. Matthias would in turn train his son Hawking, who in turn would do the same for his son Tobor.

Three more generations would pass - Spectre, Thunderhawk and Sojourner - before the Guardians would welcome Janelle-Li, the first daughter ever born to one of their own, into their ranks. She would give birth to Athair, who became the first Guardian ever to renounce his station in life in favor of a greater calling.

Janelle-Li would resume her son's forsaken duties until she succumbed to a mysterious ailment. Since Athair made it more than clear he was never going to be a Guardian, the position was given to his son, Sabre, who eagerly accepted the responibility of carrying on in his grandmother's stead. Sabre, in turn, passed on the role to his son Locke.

Over the past six plus years (according to Mobian time), Locke's son Knuckles is recognized everywhere as the current Guardian of the Chaos Emerald.

EDMUND (First appearance in SONIC THE HEDGEHOG #35, June, 1996.)

STEPPENWOLF (First appearance in KNUCKLES THE ECHIDNA #1, April, 1997.)

MOONWATCHER (First appearance in KNUCKLES THE ECHIDNA #25, June, 1999.)

HARLAN (First appearance in KNUCKLES THE ECHIDNA #25, June, 1999.)

REMBRANDT (First appearance in KNUCKLES THE ECHIDNA #25, June, 1999.)

AARON and JORDAN (First appearance in KNUCKLES THE ECHIDNA #25, June, 1999.)

MATTHIAS (First appearance in SONIC SUPER SPECIAL #14, September, 2000.)

HAWKING (First appearance in KNUCKLES THE ECHIDNA #5, September, 1997.)

TOBOR (First appearance in KNUCKLES THE ECHIDNA #16, September, 1998.)

SPECTRE (First appearance in KNUCKLES THE ECHIDNA #16, September, 1998.)

THUNDERHAWK (First appearance in KNUCKLES THE ECHIDNA #16, September, 1998.)

SOJOURNER (First appearance in KNUCKLES THE ECHIDNA #16, September, 1998.)

JANELLE-LI (First appearance in KNUCKLES THE ECHIDNA #11, April, 1998.)

ATHAIR (First appearance in TAILS #2, January, 1996.)

SABRE (First appearance in KNUCKLES THE ECHIDNA #4, August, 1997.)

LOCKE (First appearance in SONIC THE HEDGEHOG #33, April, 1996.)

KNUCKLES (First appearance in SONIC THE HEDGEHOG #13, August, 1994.)

FORGIVEN
HEY, UNCLE CHUCK, AREN'T YOU COMING TO LUPE AND HER FAMILY'S GOING AWAY PARTY?
I'D REALLY LOVE TO ATTEND, SONNY-BOY...
ECHIDNAS&ME
Chuck
KARL BOLLERS - WRITER
NELSON RIBEIRO - INKER
JOSA D. RAY - COLORIST
ART MAWHINNY - PENCILER
JEFF POWELL - LETTERER
J. F. GABRIE - EDITOR
...BUT I'M SWAMPED WITH RESEARCH.
NO PROB!

MINUTES LATER...
KNOCK KNOCK
WHO...?
I'M BACK! WE FIGURED THAT IF YOU COULDN'T COME TO THE SHINDIG, WE'D BRING IT TO YOU!
!
HOW'S THAT FOR QUICK-THINKING, UNC?
PERFECT, SONNY-BOY, PERFECT...

LOOK AT THEM, SO INNOCENT AND CAREFREE...
...SO LUCKY.
HOLA, SIR CHARLES!
ERR... HELLO, LUPE.
UHH... PLEASE EXCUSE ME...
...I NEED TO STEP OUTSIDE.
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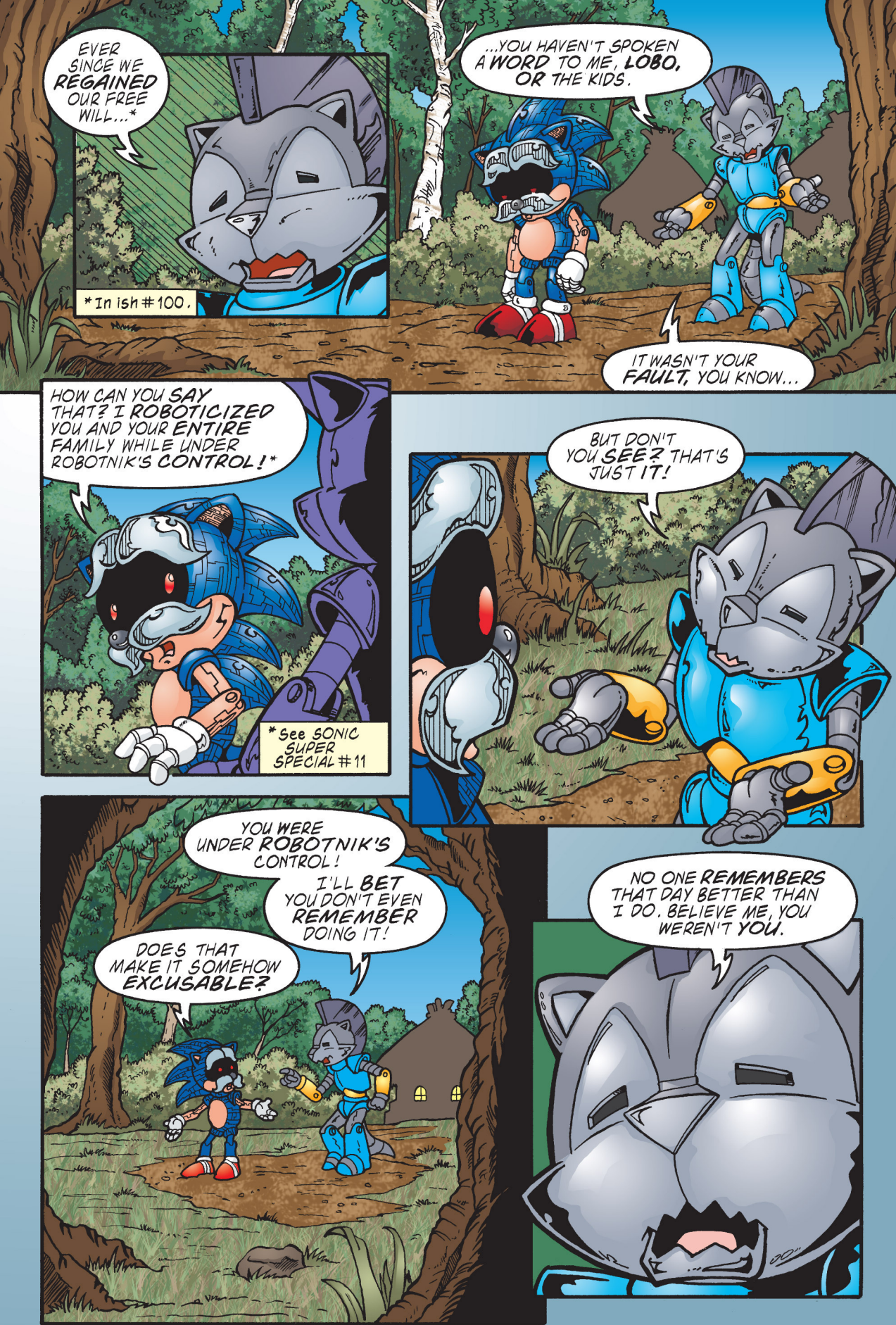
ARMADA STINKS!
TRASH BEAST WARS
SIR CHARLES...
...YOU'VE BEEN AVOIDING ME... AVOIDING MY FAMILY.
WHAT DO YOU MEAN?


EVER SINCE WE REGAINED OUR FREE WILL...*
*In ish #100.
...YOU HAVEN'T SPOKEN A WORD TO ME, LOBO, OR THE KIDS.
IT WASN'T YOUR FAULT, YOU KNOW...
HOW CAN YOU SAY THAT? I ROBOTICIZED YOU AND YOUR ENTIRE FAMILY WHILE UNDER ROBOTNIK'S CONTROL!*
*See SONIC SUPER SPECIAL #11
BUT DON'T YOU SEE? THAT'S JUST IT!
YOU WERE UNDER ROBOTNIK'S CONTROL!
I'LL BET YOU DON'T EVEN REMEMBER DOING IT!
DOES THAT MAKE IT SOMEHOW EXCUSABLE?
NO ONE REMEMBERS THAT DAY BETTER THAN I DO. BELIEVE ME, YOU WEREN'T YOU.

I REGRET EVER INVENTING THAT ROBOT-ICIZER. IT ONLY MADE ROBOTNIK'S JOB THAT MUCH EASIER.
ALL I WANT IS TO BE FORGIVEN...
HOW CAN WE DO THAT...
...IF YOU WON'T DO IT YOURSELF?
LUPE'S RIGHT, SIR CHARLES!
I WOULDN'T ARGUE WITH PRINCESS SALLY, UNC!
LISTEN, AMIGOS LET THIS CELEBRATION HONOR SIR CHARLES AS WELL AS MY FAMILY'S JOURNEY!
THANK YOU, LUPE THANK YOU!
The End